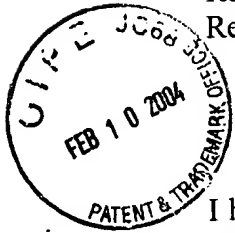


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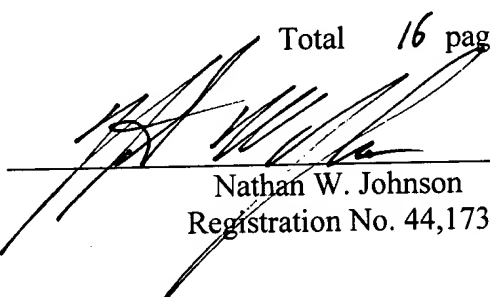
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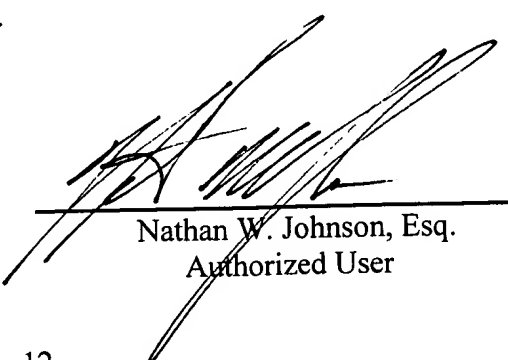


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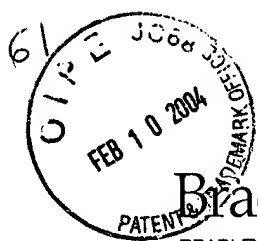
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	Filing Date:	June 8, 2000
	Inventor:	Holmes, William W., IV, et al.
	Title:	Restraining Gasket for Mechanical Joints of Pipes
	Responsive No.:	Office Action of November 10, 2003
	Examiner:	Burch, M.
	Art Unit:	3683

Dear Commissioner:

Please find enclosed an Office Action Response relating to the Restraining Gasket for Mechanical Joints of Pipes, Application Serial No. 09/590,586. Applicant respectfully requests entry of this response into the record.

Yours very truly,


Nathan W. Johnson

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Enclosure